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STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DIVISION OF GAMING ENFORCEMENT DOCKET NO. 13-0042-EL

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF GAMING ENFORCEMENT,	) ) )
Petitioner,	) Civil Action
V.	) PETITION FOR ) PLACEMENT ON
JOHN BLACKBURN,	) EXCLUSION LIST
Respondent.	) ) )

Petitioner, State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Gaming Enforcement ("Division"), located at 1300 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, New Jersey, 08401 says:

1. Respondent, JOHN BLACKBURN ("BLACKBURN"), is a New York resident, residing at 211 Elm Street, Brooklyn, New York 10810.

2. *N.J.A.C.* 13:69G-1.3(a)4 authorizes the exclusion of any person whose presence in a licensed casino establishment would be inimical to the interest of the State of New Jersey or licensed gaming therein, including:

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- iii. Persons who pose a threat to the safety of the patrons or employees of a casino licensee;
- iii. Persons with a documented history of conduct involving the undue disruption of the gaming operations of casino licensees; and
- iv. Persons subject to an order of the Superior Court of New Jersey excluding such persons from all casino hotel facilities.
- 3. Between January 2012 and March 2012, Blackburn was arrested and charged on six (6) different occasions for Defiant Trespasser in violation of *N.J.S.A.* 2C:18-3b. Blackburn pled guilty to one charge on February 24, 2012, in Atlantic City Municipal Court. Bench warrants for Blackburn have been issued on the five other charges since he failed to appear in the Atlantic City Municipal Court. These charges remain pending. Each offense occurred in the City of Atlantic City on licensed casino premises.
- 4. As part of the sentencing on the one charge to which Blackburn pled guilty, the Atlantic City Municipal Court entered an Order barring Blackburn from Showboat Hotel and Casino for a period of two years.
- 5. With respect to the five (5) pending charges for Defiant Trespasser, Blackburn was formally ejected from the premises of Caesars Hotel and Casino on four (4) occasions and Resorts Hotel and Casino on one (1) occasion.
  - 6. Based on information contained in Paragraphs 1 through 5 of this

Petition, Blackburn is a person whose presence in a licensed casino establishment

would be inimical to the interests of the State of New Jersey or licensed gaming therein.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner demands the following relief against Respondent:

Α. Judgment that Respondent, John Blackburn, is a person whose

presence in a licensed casino establishment would be inimical to the interest of the

State of New Jersey or of licensed gaming therein, within the meaning of

N.J.A.C.13:69G-1.3(a)4;

B. Judgment entering a final order placing Respondent, John

Blackburn, on the exclusion list pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:12-71 and

N.J.A.C.13:69G-1.3(a)4; and

C. Judgment for such other and further relief as the Director may

deem just and appropriate under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: January 15, 2013

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